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**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.**

FEBRUARY 20, 1849.

Mr. ATHERTON, from the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill [H. R. 699,] making appropriations for the naval service for the year ending the 30th of June, eighteen hundred and fifty, reported the same, with the following amendments.

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**AMENDMENTS.**

Strike out from line 201 to 205, inclusive; strike out the fourth section. Add to the bill the following section:

1        SEC. . *And be it further enacted*, That, in lieu of  
2 the pay now allowed by law, a purser, when, by order of  
3 the Secretary of the Navy, attached to and doing duty at  
4 the naval station of California, shall receive the same pay  
5 as if attached to a frigate in commission for sea service  
6 *Provided*, That not more than one purser shall, at the  
7 same time, be attached to the said station on general or  
8 special duty.